

September 2021

#### MESSAGE FROM THE SENATOR

September marked the start of committee weeks for the 2022 Legislative Session and I am excited for another opportunity to pass legislation that will better the life of constituents in District 14 during the 2022 Session. Some of the topics I will be looking heavily into this session are PBMs, alternative plans for court fines and fees, personal record exemptions, and much more. Be sure to check social media for daily updates on what is happening in District 14 and weekly video updates after every committee week.

~Tom

# Military & Veterans Affairs, Space & Domestic Security

On September 22<sup>nd</sup> I chaired the first committee meeting for the Military & Veterans Affairs, Space & Domestic Security committee. We received updates from General Purdy of Space Force and Frank DiBello of Space Florida. As chair of this committee I am committed to maintaining Florida as the most military, veteran and space friendly state in the country.





# **Brevard Delegation Meeting**

On September 29<sup>th</sup> we held the 2021 Brevard Delegation meeting for the 2022 Legislative Session. This was a phenomenal opportunity to get real time feedback from the incredible constituents of Brevard County. I look forward to hearing from the great constituents of Volusia County on October 6<sup>th</sup>.

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#### **Terran Orbital**

As chair of the Military & Veterans Affairs, Space & Domestic Security committee and as chair of the Florida Space Caucus, I was proud to join Governor DeSantis at the announcement of Terran Orbital's satellite manufacturing facility on September 27<sup>th</sup>. Terran Orbital will be investing over \$300 million in new construction and equipment and be bringing approximately 2,100 new jobs, with an average salary of \$84,000, to the Space Coast by 2025.

## Honor Flight Fundraiser

In September, I was honored by the opportunity to speak to an audience of several thousand patriotic Americans at the Barrett-Jackson Auction. The true highlight though was when we auctioned off a 1956 Chevrolet Army Staff car that raised \$1,000,000.00 for the Central Florida Honor Flight Foundation. The Honor Flight Foundation takes Veterans, our American Heroes, to Washington D.C. to visit the memorials dedicated to their valiant actions.



#### **Upcoming Meetings**

- Volusia County Legislative Delegation Meeting: Wednesday, October 6<sup>th</sup>, 2021 from 9am
  1pm at the DeLand City Hall in the Commission Chambers, located at 120 South Florida Avenue, DeLand, FL 32720
- Interim Committee Week 2: Starts October 11<sup>th</sup>.
- Interim Committee Week 3: Starts October 18<sup>th</sup>.

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